CITY OF LOWELL

Job Description

Please Post: April 28, 2021 Deadline: Open Until Filled

Parks Maintenance Person/ MEO 1/Laborer

Parks & Cemeteries

Job Title: Park Maintenance Person/MEO 1/Laborer (2000-11, 2897)

Department: Parks and Cemeteries

Reports To: Commissioner of DPW, Supt. of Parks or designee

Labor Union: AFSCME 1705

Salary: \$18.6730 (min) to \$22.3350 (max) per hour; 40 hrs/week

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

SUMMARY

Maintains grounds, equipment and public property by performing the following duties.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES include the following. Other duties may be assigned.

Performs skilled and unskilled manual duties in the care and maintenance of recreation areas, athletic fields, parks and playground equipment; Lines playing fields; Floods grounds for skating;

Cuts lawns. Trims and edges around walks, flower beds, and walls.

Prunes shrubs and trees to shape and improve growth or remove damaged leaves, branches, or twigs. Operates various power tools as needed.

Painting duties include but not limited to playground equipment, benches, walls, & park furniture,

flowering beds and related structures as designated by supervisor

Cleans grounds and removes litter. Shovels snow from walks and driveways.

Spreads salt on public passage ways to prevent ice buildup.

Plants grass, flowers, trees, and shrubs. Waters lawn and shrubs.

Repairs fences, gates, walls, walks and water fountains; outbuildings.

Replaces grass, swings, slides and other playground equipment.

Does painting and other maintenance work related to park equipment.

Sharpens tools such as weed cutters, edging tools, and shears.

Makes minor repairs on equipment such as lawn mower, spreader, and snow removal equipment.

Swimming pool maintenance, such as repairing pool pumps and filter systems.

Operates trucks with a rated capacity of more than 3 tons and up through 9 tons, large tractors, and equipment such as road sweepers, snow loaders, leaf loaders, snow fighters, sidewalk rollers and road flushers. Loads and unloads trucks; picks up and hauls materials; plows and sands highways, streets, parks, etc; Greases, oils and cleans equipment; changes tires; performs minor maintenance. May occasionally operate equipment that requires only a class 3 license.

Digging holes; trenches, and other excavations; Loading and unloading supplies; ,maintains parks and playground areas, open spaces; Mowing grass using hand or powered equipment, trimming shrubs and lower parts of trees along sidewalks and highways; Removing snow and ice using manual or small powered equipment; Spreading sand on icy areas; Uses standard hand tools. Performs unskilled laboring duties as assigned. Performs related work as required.

QUALIFICATIONS

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required.

Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE

Applicants must have two (2) years of full-time or equivalent part-time experience in related field.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Ability to read a limited number of two- and three-syllable words and to recognize similarities and differences between words and between series of numbers. Ability to print and speak simple sentences.

MATHEMATICAL SKILLS

Ability to add and subtract two digit numbers and to multiply and divide with 10's and 100's. Ability to perform these operations using units of American money and weight measurement, volume, and distance.

REASONING ABILITY

Ability to apply common sense understanding to carry out detailed but uninvolved written or oral instructions. Ability to deal with problems involving a few concrete variables in standardized situations.

LICENSES, CERTIFICATES, REGISTRATIONS

Driver's license. Must have at least a current and valid Commercial Driver's License (air brakes and other specifics as needed) from the Registry of Motor Vehicles; A good driving history and the ability to perform the required heavy lifting as a laborer.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

Must meet physical requirements for Commercial Drivers as set forth under 49 CFR 391.41; samples are listed below:

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently required to stand; walk; use hands to finger, handle, or feel; reach with hands and arms; climb or balance; and stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl. The employee is occasionally required to sit, talk or hear, and taste or smell. The employee must frequently lift and/or move up to 50 pounds and occasionally lift and/or move up to 100 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, and color vision.

WORK ENVIRONMENT

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. Position subject to DOT requirements.

The City of Lowell is a smoke and drug free employer and requires a physical with drug screen, CORI post offer.

Qualified individuals may send application/resume with cover letter to the Human Relations Office, Mary Callery, HR Director Room 19 - City Hall, Lowell, MA 01852 by the deadline of Open Until Filled. Applicants may also send application/resume with cover letter to fax 978-446-7102 or email to cityjobs@lowellma.gov

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